

# ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A strand 41, which is formed by twisting  
filaments 41a, is inserted through an untwisting  
5 device 48. The filaments 41a are untwisted and a  
predetermined space S is formed between the filaments.  
In this state, a rubber membrane coating is formed on  
the periphery of each filament 41a. Then, the  
filament is retwisted to form a rubber membrane  
10 coated strand 59. Therefore, the rubber membrane  
coated strand 59 has a predetermined strength against  
external force and is adequately adhered to the  
rubber so that the rubber membrane coated strand  
resists corrosion, absorbs vibration, and suppresses  
15 frictional heating. A belt and a ply, which use the  
strand, are provided.

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